Notice of Amendment #2

Invitation for Bid

IFB # 3160004123

METRO HAULING SERVICE



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THIS IS AMENDMENT TWO (2) TO THE INVITATION FOR BID.

Question #1:

Why is the contract for hauling alcoholic beverages within the Jackson Metro area already up for bid after only one year, when it is currently on a 4-year contract?

Answer:

The services are not currently operating under a four-year contract. It is operating under a one-year emergency contract. These services were previously advertised in January of 2020. However, certain information was not redacted from a proposal. Although there was no prejudice to any vendor through the unredacted information, the procurement process for this service is being redone to meet every PPRB requirement.

Question #2:

Why is this contract only a 3-year contract, when in past years, it has been 4?

Answer:

The Mississippi Department of Revenue was granted approval to enter a one (1) year emergency contract through June 30, 2021. Because this is normally a four (4) year contract, the Mississippi Department of Revenue seeks to enter into a new contract, through this procurement, for the difference of that term, which is three (3) years.

Question # 3:

With the possibility of the Mississippi legislature privatizing the Alcohol Beverage Control warehouse, would the new contract holder be guaranteed this 3-year contract?

Answer:

The Mississippi Department of Revenue cannot guarantee the term of this contract.

Question # 4:

Will the state be entertaining bids from out of state companies?

Answer:

The Mississippi Department of Revenue will be accepting bids from in state and out of state companies.

Ouestion # 5:

Do you anticipate extending the bid due date?

Answer:

The Mississippi Department of Revenue does not anticipate extending the submission date for IFB # 3160004123 at this time. If the DOR deems it necessary to extend the submission date, DOR will do so through an Amendment.

Question #6:

What additional details are you willing to provide, if any, beyond what is stated in bid documents concerning how you will identify the winning bid?

Answer:

The Mississippi Department of Revenue has no other details outside of the IFB to provide in relation to determining the winning bidder. As stated in the IFB, the contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder who provides the lowest bid.

Question #7:

Was this bid posted to the nationwide free bid notification website at www.mygovwatch.com/free.

Answer:

The IFB was not published on the nationwide free bid notification website. The IFB was advertised in compliance with all applicable Public Procurement Review Board Rules and Regulations.

Question #8:

Other than your own website, where was this bid posted?

Answer:

Advertisements are published on the Mississippi Contract/Procurement Opportunity Search Portal at www.transparency.mississippi.gov and in the legal notice section of the Clarion Ledger as required by the Public Procurement Review Board Rules and Regulations.

Question #9:

We see that you need equipment to deliver a minimum of 780,000 cases per year. Can you confirm how many cases are typically loaded per trailer (or per load)?

Answer:

The number of cases loaded on each trailer would depend on the size of the trailers used and the time of the year. Currently, the average cases per load range from 300 to 600 cases, due to the routes assigned by the trucking company and the size of the trailers they use.

Question # 10:

Does this case amount per trailer vary (i.e. 1000 cases on one load, 2000 cases on another load, etc)

Answer:

The average cases per load currently ranges from 300 to 600 cases due to the routes assigned by the trucking company and the size of trailers used by the company.

Ouestion # 11:

Do you have any lane data from 2020 you can share...for example where these loads deliver to (city/state), the frequency and how many loads were run in 2020?

Answer:

Deliveries will be to permittees in Hinds and Rankin Counties and in the southern portion of Madison County, excluding permittees located in the municipal limits of the cities of Canton and Flora.

Per Section 5.2 "DOR Responsibilities, "a Bill of Lading will be provided at the completion of each load and will include delivery notes for each drop."

Question # 12:

Are these deliveries one stop or multi stop deliveries?

Answer:

Each load has multiple deliveries, unless there is a large order for our largest customers.

Question #13:

How do you handle accessorial charges (i.e. are there "stop fees" if multi stop deliveries, is there detention if it takes more than two hours to load or unload, is there a "Truck Order Not Used" (TONU) fee for loads that are cancelled)?

Answer:

Each customer has one delivery address assigned by the permit department. Loads are created based on the orders and standard routes in the system. In some instances, loads are combined for certain routes due to small case counts. DOR does not charge stop fees, detentions fees or a Truck Order Not Used fee for loads cancelled that day. Also, if there is a permit holder holding a driver up, the DOR will contact the Enforcement Department, who will address the issue.

Question # 14:

Can you confirm the delivery hours (is it first come first serve or is it set by delivery appointment)?

Answer:

Appointments are not required.

Per Section 5.1 (12) "Carrier Responsibilities" The carrier must deliver to permittees (consignee) between the hours od 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. unless otherwise specified.

Per Section 5.1 (13) "Carrier Responsibilities" The carrier must adopt a delivery schedule to reasonably accommodate permittees when possible.